

**City of Franklin Common Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 1, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Franklin, Indiana was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 70 E. Monroe Street, with Mayor Joseph E. McGuinness presiding. Council members Joseph Abban, Joseph Ault, Kenneth Austin, Stephen Barnett, Andrew Eggers, Keith Fox and Richard Wertz answered roll call. Clerk-Treasurer Jayne Rhoades, Records Clerk Kathy Cragen, City Attorney Lynnette Gray were also present.

Councilor Wertz offered an invocation. Mayor McGuinness opened the meeting and asked the Clerk-Treasurer to call the roll. Mayor McGuinness led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Presentations & Public Comments

There were no presentations or public comments.

Consent Agenda

Mayor McGuinness presented the consent agenda for approval.

- Approval of the January 11, 2016 Common Council Minutes

Council President Barnett made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Councilor Fox. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Old Business

There was no old business presented.

New Business

Council President Barnett made a motion to read all new business by title only, seconded by Councilor Abban. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Title only

Common Council Budgetary Resolution No.: 16-01 A Common Council Budgetary Resolution Authorizing a Transfer from General Fund 101 to Rainy Day Fund 246 - Clerk-Treasurer Jayne Rhoades stated this is a housekeeping issue at the end of each year transfer from General Fund to Rainy Day Supplies Fund. Councilor Abban made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The

motion carried.

Common Council Budgetary Resolution No.: 16-02 A Common Council Budgetary Resolution Authorizing a Transfer from Rainy Day 200 to Rainy Day 400 - Clerk-Treasurer Jayne Rhoades told the council that this is requesting a transfer from Rainy Day 200 (Supplies) to Rainy Day 400 (Capital) for capital projects that will be coming up later this year. A discussion was held. Council President Barnett made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Wertz. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Common Council Budgetary Ordinance No.: 16-01 Authorizing an Additional Appropriation for Non-Tax Supported Funds - Clerk-Treasurer Jayne Rhoades stated that this is for introduction only tonight, and will be brought back at the March 7th meeting. A discussion was held.

Common Council Budgetary Ordinance No.: 16-02 An Additional Appropriation Rainy Day Capital - Mayor McGuinness stated this was for introduction only tonight, and will be brought back at the March 7th meeting. A discussion was held.

Common Council Resolution No.: 16-01 A Declaratory Resolution Designating an Economic Revitalization Area for Pierce Hardy Limited Partnership and 84 Lumber Company (EDC 2016-01) - Community Development Director Krista Linke came forward and stated that this was approved by the Economic Development Commission (EDC) last week. Ms. Linke stated that Pierce Hardy Limited Partnership is the property owner with a partnership with 84 Lumber Company. Ms. Linke stated that the EDC recommended them to receive a five (5) year tax abatement for \$1,750,000.00 on personal property, and a seven (7) year tax abatement in the amount of \$650,000.00 for real property. Ms. Linke stated this is the former Trussway property, and they will be bringing in around one hundred (100) new jobs in next couple of years, with an average wage \$15.38. The new company will not receive benefits of the old tax abatement. A discussion was held. Council President Barnett made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Common Council Resolution No.: 16-04 A Resolution Authorizing the Use of Speedway SuperAmerica Credit Cards (And Repealing Resolution No. 10-18) - Fire Chief Dan McElyea came forward and stated that the Fire Dept. needs these credit cards for use when the county fuel tanks are down. The chief stated that the limit would be \$2,500.00. A discussion was held. City Attorney Gray stated this resolution increases the Police Department to three credit cards and increases the amount to \$750.00. A discussion was held. Council President Barnett made a motion to approve with changes recommended by City Attorney Gray, seconded by Councilor Abban. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Other Business

Request to Void Two Year Old Checks Outstanding and Unpaid - Clerk-Treasurer Jayne Rhoades stated this was to request approval to void two year old checks that were outstanding and unpaid. This is done every year. Council President Barnett made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Council Comments

Councilor Wertz stated that there was a special Redevelopment Commission (RDC) meeting today, and that the next meeting will be February 16th.

Councilor Abban thanked the Street Department for their great job of snow removal.

Councilor Ault stated that prior to the meeting he was watching skateboarders skating on the curbs, and asked if we have anything that forbids that in downtown area. Mayor McGuinness stated that there is nothing on the books at this time.

Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the Common Council, a motion and a second were made to adjourn at 6:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jayne Rhoades, Clerk-Treasurer
Enrolled: 2/5/16

Joseph McGuinness, Mayor

Attest:

Jayne Rhoades, Clerk-Treasurer